TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 3695 - SB 3634

April 27, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014868): Deletes the language of the original bill. Prohibits the condemnation of farmlands in counties that do not achieve national ambient air standards

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Other Fiscal Impact – According to the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT), prohibiting the condemnation of farmlands in non-attainment counties would require pending projects to be redesigned and submitted for environmental review. Because of multiple unknown factors, the increased expenditures to the State Highway Fund is unknown and cannot reasonably be quantified but is estimated to exceed \$500,000.

Assumption applied to amendment:

- According to the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), the
 current non-attainment areas are the counties of Knox, Blount, Anderson, Loudon,
 Sevier, Jefferson, and Hamilton, the portion of Cocke County that is in the Great Smoky
 Mountains National Park, and the census tract that includes the TVA Kingston power
 plant in Roane County.
- According to TDOT, more than 50 pending projects exist in non-attainment areas.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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